

[CHAPTER 159]

JOINT RESOLUTION

June 28, 1947
[S. J. Res. 125]
[Public Law 125]

To strengthen the common defense and to meet industrial needs for tin by providing for the maintenance of a domestic tin-smelting industry.

Tin.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) tin is a highly strategic and critical material of which insufficient ore reserves exist in the United States and of which an adequate supply is vital to the Nation's industrial, military, and naval requirements for the common defense.

(b) Tin is now and for the immediate future will remain in supply short of the requirements of this country's industrial, military, and naval needs.

Study and investigation by Congress.

(c) It is necessary in the public interest and to promote the common defense that Congress make a thorough study and investigation regarding the advisability of the maintenance on a permanent basis of a domestic tin-smelting industry and to study the availability of supplies of tin adequate to meet the industrial, military, and naval requirements of the Nation in time of national emergency.

Continuation of powers, etc., exercised by RFC.

SEC. 2. The powers, functions, duties, and authority of the United States heretofore exercised by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation (1) to buy, sell, and transport tin, and tin ore and concentrates; (2) to improve, develop, maintain, and operate by lease or otherwise the Government-owned tin smelter at Texas City, Texas; (3) to finance research in tin smelting and processing; and (4) to do all other things necessary to the accomplishment of the foregoing shall continue in effect until June 30, 1949, or until such earlier time as the Congress shall otherwise provide, and shall be exercised and performed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation while that Corporation has succession, and thereafter by such officer, agency, or instrumentality of the United States as the President may designate.

Report to Congress.

SEC. 3. The Reconstruction Finance Corporation or the officer, agency, or instrumentality of the United States subsequently designated by the President shall render a full report to Congress on all its activities under this joint resolution not later than December 31, 1947, and at the end of each six months thereafter.

Approved June 28, 1947.

[CHAPTER 160]

AN ACT

June 28, 1947
[H. R. 3398]
[Public Law 126]

To extend the period of validity of the Act to facilitate the admission into the United States of the alien fiancées or fiancés of members of the armed forces of the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the authority conferred upon the Secretary of State and the Attorney General under the provisions of the Act approved June 29, 1946 (60 Stat. 339), shall be extended to December 31, 1947, midnight.

Approved June 28, 1947.

50 U. S. C. app.
§§ 1851–1855.

[CHAPTER 161]

AN ACT

June 28, 1947
[H. R. 3911]
[Public Law 127]

To continue temporary authority of the Maritime Commission until March 1, 1948.

U. S. Maritime Commission.
Post, p. 697.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the paragraph under the head, "United States Maritime Commission" in title I of the Third Deficiency Appropriation Act, 1946 (Public Law 521,